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SUBJ: CHOLERA-GUAM

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1. MRS. L. M. PESIGAN, ADMINISTRATOR, R.P. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF INFORMATION REFTEL ADVISES EMBASSY THAT THOROUGH CHECK MADE ON POSSIBILITY OF CHOLERA VIBRIO SURVIVING IN ZIGAMID FRI AND SPECIAL BAGOONG ANCHOVIES. FDA RESULTS INDICATE THAT CHOLERA VIBRIO CANNOT SURVIVE IN THIS MEDIUM. SAMPLES OF SAME KIND OF FOOD WERE INOCULATED WITH HIGH DOSE OF CHOLERA VIBRIO BUT FDA FAILED TO RECOVER ORGANISM EVEN AFTER ONE HOUR.

2. PREVIOUS FDA STUDIES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED ALONG THIS LINE ON OTHER KINDS OF FILIPINO FOOD AND RESULTS HAVE SHOWN THAT CHOLERA ORGANISMS COULD NOT SURVIVE IN FOODS CONTAINING HIGH SALT CONCENTRATES EVEN IF PH IS RELATIVELY HIGH.

3. MRS. PESIGAN REPORTS THAT CLASS OF FOOD IN QUESTION - BAGOONG AND SIMILAR FERMENTED SEA FOODS - HAVE VERY HIGH SALT CONCENTRATIONS RANGING FROM 20 TO 30 PERCENT. IT HAS BEEN SHOWN THAT CHOLERA CAN SURVIVE ONLY IN 1 TO 3 PERCENT SALT CONCENTRATION. FDA, THEREFORE, CONFIDENT THAT THIS CLASS OF FOODS IS SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION AND MAY BE EXPORTED.

4. R.P. ADMINISTRATOR HAS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO EMBOFF FOR INFORMATION ON CHOLERA IN GUAM. SHE WOULD LIKE TO

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RECEIVE FURTHER REPORTS ON SUBJECT AND ANY INFORMATION

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